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Nicosia Bureau, FBIS

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Dear Chuck:

Please pass the enclosed letter to the Ambassador. I suggest you meet with him periodically to bring him up to date on your progress, and of course you can use the country team meetings to indicate how things are going. Certainly he should be shown the final drawings on the next site when we reach that stage.

We're still preparing something concerning an approach to the Foreign Ministry and will forward that to you, for passing to the Ambassador, when completed.

Sincerely,

[Redacted]

Director

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Ambassador Richard W. Boehm
United States Embassy
Nicosia, Cyprus

Dear Mr. Ambassador:

Thank you very much for taking the time to talk with us during my visit to Cyprus. I consider the improvement of our situations in Nicosia, Amman, and Tel Aviv among the highest FBIS priorities at this time.

We have carefully considered your view that "Site C" would be more advantageous from a security viewpoint than "Site D." However, in weighing all the pro's and con's we believe that the greater area provides an equally good advantage for "Site D" and will, in addition, provide operational and structural advantages. I am told that use of "Site C" would involve removal of the soft top soil and the building of retaining walls, and that equal security advantage can be gained by using protective walls around the greater area that comprises "Site D." "Site D" will also give us the possibility of auxiliary buildings and greater antenna area. We will construct secondary protective walls, berms, and earth mounds against the exterior walls. We will also have windows only on the interior, facing the atrium.

[redacted] will coordinate closely with the Embassy as we plan our building and the new site. I feel confident the new installation will improve our situation from all points of view compared to our present location.

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Please feel free to let me know of any concerns you may have as we progress.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Director

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cc: Chief, Nicosia Bureau, FBIS